Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes. Since then this section was introduced to apply throughout the whole State.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Is this Municipal Regulation applicable to the arecanut trade as well?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Commission collected on articles brought to the markets.

255. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether licenses granted for carrying on markets contain the rate of commission the licensee is allowed to collect on articles brought there;

(b) if not, are there directions given to them for the same?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) No.

(b) Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—It is said here that there are directions given. May I know what form these directions take, whether they are written or oral?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The directions, I think, are those that are to be found in the Regulation itself. By the very application of this section, these directions apply.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Are we to take it that for private markets the amounts prescribed under the Regulation are the amounts collected by the licensee?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—That is what I just explained. It is not quite so in the case of arecanut markets alone. They follow the old rates that were prevalent.

Mr. A. I. Mani.—Was there any complaint about the rates collected by the market holder?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No complaint has reached the Government.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Is it a uniform rate or is there any fluctuation in the rates collected?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It is a uniform rate.

Issue of B. form passes—inconveniences to the public.

256. Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the public are put to any inconvenience in granting B. Form passes by the department;

(b) which is the head-quarters of the officer authorised to issue the passes and how many miles away is it from Nemmara?

(c) whether the Forester at Nemmara cannot be authorised to do the same work;

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